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SUBJ: SPECIAL SESSION OF UNGA: JAPANESE PROPOSALS ON RESOURCES

USUN HAS RECEIVED FROM JAPANESE MISOFF SOME ADDITIONAL MATERIALS ON GOJ'S PROPOSALS TO SET UP ADVISORY GROUP OF EMINENT PERSONS AND UN INFORMATION CENTER. THE TWO PAPERS FOLLOWS:

"JAPANESE PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A UNITED NATIONS AD HOC ADVISORY GROUP OF EMINENT PERSONS ON RESOURCES PROBLEMS.

(I) AD HOC NATURE

THIS GROUP SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED ON AD HOC BASIS FOR A PERIOD OF ONE TO TWO YEARS.

(II) COMPOSITION

THE GROUP WILL BE COMPOSED OF ABOUT 20 EMINENT PERSONS SUCH AS STATESMAN, SCIENTISTS, ECONOMISTS, WHO WILL BE UNCLASSIFIED

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APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE BASIS OF THEIR

PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE. IN MAKING THE APPOINTMENTS, DUE CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE PAID TO ENSURE THAT THE GROUP WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE INTER-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO THE RESOURCES PROBLEMS IN VIEW OF ITS GLOBAL AND COMPLEX NATURE.

(III) OBJECTIVES

THE GROUP SHOULD BE EXPECTED TO FORMULATE AN IDEA ON WHAT SHOULD BE THE MOST APPROPRIATE FORM OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND TO ELABORATE GUIDELINES TO ACHIEVE THIS END, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING PROSPERITY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE WHOLE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. THE GROUP SHOULD PREPARE ITS WELL-BALANCED VIEW FROM THE STANDPOINT OF GLOBAL AND LONG-TERM INTEREST OF MANKIND. THE MEMBERS SHOULD ACT IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE POSITIONS OF THEIR OWN COUNTRIES.

(IV) POSSIBLE AREAS OF ACTIVITIES

(A) TO WORK FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SET OF GUIDELINES OR BASIC PRINCIPLES INSPIRED BY THE SENSE OF INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY AND AWARENESS OF "ONE WORLD" CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT, UTILIZATION AND CONSERVATION OF RESOURCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF LONG-TERM STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

(B) TO REVIEW THE CURRENT SITUATION AND PROBLEMS REGARDING THE GLOBAL ENDOWMENT, PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES AND TO CONDUCT AN ACTION-ORIENTED STUDY TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS THROUGH THE ENHANCED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE ASPECT OF DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

(C) TO EXAMINE THE ROLE TO BE PLAYED BY THE UNITED NATIONS IN RESPECT OF (A) AND (B) ABOVE AS WELL AS THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN FOR STRENGTHENING THE FUNCTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM IN THE FIELD OF RESOURCES.

(D) JAPAN SUGGESTS THAT THE GROUP SHOULD CONSIDER PRIMARILY NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES, HOWEVER IT MIGHT NOT BE WISE TO LIMIT A PRIORI THE GROUP'S COVERAGE TO SPECIFIC CATEGORIES
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OF RAW MATERIALS, EXCEPT FOOD WHICH IS GOING TO BE DEALT WITH BY THE U.N. WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE.

(V) FUNCTIONS

DURING ITS TERM OF WORK, THE GROUP MAY MEET WHEN IT DEEMS NECESSARY. THE GROUP SHALL PRESENT ITS REPORT TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO WHOM THE GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE. FOR FACILITATING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE GROUP, ALL ORGANS AND AGENCIES

OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM SHOULD PROVIDE FULL COOPERATION.

WHEN THE SECRETARY-GENERAL RECEIVES REPORT FROM THE GROUP,
HE SHALL TRANSMIT IT WITH HIS OBSERVATION TO THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY THROUGH ECOSOC."

"JAPANESE PROPOSAL TO MAKE A STUDY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF A "UNITED NATIONS CENTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES
INFORMATION".

AT THE 3RD SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES, HELD IN NEW DELHI IN FEBRUARY LAST YEAR,
A PROPOSAL WAS PLACED BY THE SECRETARIAT TO ESTABLISH A
UNITED NATIONS ORGAN TO PROVIDE A RECURRENT SERVICE OF ANALYSIS,
EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION OF GLOBAL DATA AND INFORMATION
ON NATURAL RESOURCES. ECOSOC AT IT 1857TH PLENARY MEETING
OF 18 MAY 1973, DECIDED IN ITS RESOLUTION 1761 (LIV),
ENTITLED "REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES",
TO REQUEST THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO IMPROVE AND STRENGTHEN
THE EXISTING UNITED NATIONS SERVICES FOR THE ANALYSIS,
EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION OF WORLD-WIDE DATA ON NATURAL
RESOURCES. THIS RESOLUTION HAS NOT BEEN EFFECTIVELY IMPL-
MENTED.

SUGGESTION BY JAPAN IS THEREFORE INTENDED TO STRENGTHEN
THE UNITED NATIONS ACTIVITIES IN THIS FIELD.

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